

Defense, Navy leaders praise troops during COC



Photo by Chief Petty Officer Johnny Bivera

Gordon England, Navy secretary, administers the Oath of Office to Adm. Mike Mullen during the change of command ceremony, July 22.

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

ANNAPOLIS – Fighting the war on terror demands extraordinary capabilities and focus, and today's military leaders are setting the example for the young men and women in uniform following in their footsteps. That's the message the Defense Department's top civilians delivered July 22 as they said goodbye to the chief of naval operations and welcomed aboard his replacement. Amid traditional bells, pipes and ceremony, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and Gordon England, secretary of the Navy and acting deputy defense secretary, praised outgoing CNO Adm. Vern Clark for his leadership and vision in leading the Navy during a particularly tumultuous five years. Clark was "the right man to be on the job on 9/11 and in the difficult days that followed," England said, speaking on a

blue-and-gold-draped stage at the U.S. Naval Academy's Alumni Hall. Under his leadership, the Navy not only responded to the crisis, but also improved its capabilities to face future challenges, England noted. "He leaves a stronger and more capable Navy, to the great benefit of the United States," Rumsfeld said. The defense secretary said midshipmen he witnessed training in the yard on the way to today's ceremony, and all other sailors, "will do well to follow" in the footsteps of their senior leaders such as Clark. "Our Navy will become even more capable and more successful in the years ahead" as they do, Rumsfeld said. While thanking Clark for his service and looking on as Clark's personal flag was "hailed down" from its mast, the secretary congratulated Adm. Mike Mullen, the incoming chief of naval operations, for his rise to the Navy's top military post. Mullen, who England swore into office as CNO,

thanked the mentors who helped lead him to his new position, and promised to be a solid example for "the world's finest sailors" as they serve the United States during a critical time. "Today, at the dawn of the 21st century, we find ourselves again in a moment of crisis, at war, defending freedom here at home by defending freedom around the globe," he said. He assured Rumsfeld and England that "when the president talks about the 'forward defense of freedom,' ... (and) taking the fight to the enemy, he can continue to count on the United States Navy." It's a fight he acknowledged won't be easy and will demand constant vigilance. "Our enemies take no rest," Mullen said. "Neither can we." Fighting global terrorism, he said, is "the work of a generation or more" and "the struggle of an age." It's a struggle Clark said America's

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Fraud, waste, abuse is concern for everyone

By Rob Jackson
Public Affairs Specialist

Let's face it, fraud, waste and abuse of any form is illegal, particularly within the federal government.

According to Marine Corps Order 7510.5A, fraud, waste and abuse and related improprieties such as theft or misuse of government resources or conflicts of interest, are serious matters which can significantly increase the cost of government and reduce available resources needed to support Marine Corps operating forces.

"An example of fraud can be an individual coming to work late and leaving early every day and not be charged leave," explained David Vanhovel, MCLB Barstow base inspector. "Other examples include

people taking extended lunches or using a government vehicle to run to town in to get their chow, all of which are pretty common."

Most times people aren't aware that they are doing something illegal.

Vanhovel noted that the aforementioned activities are probably the most common ones under fraud, but they could also be considered abuse. And a lot of infractions are interchangeable, "you wouldn't prosecute someone criminally for coming in late and going home early that would fall under abuse."

Waste, on the other hand, can be anything to include throwing away items that are in good condition but because it's too hard to turn in to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office, the item(s) are just thrown

away.

Knowing things can be accomplished better and more cost-effectively but choosing not to do anything because the idea wasn't considered, seemed difficult, or inconvenient, and instead choosing the more costly way of doing things can be listed under waste as well, according to the base inspector.

Eventually people are going to see some form of fraud, waste and abuse some where throughout the Marine Corps and the Department of Defense. So what can be done about it? If an individual witnesses what could be considered, or even perceived to be fraud, waste and abuse it is that individual's responsibility to report it.

"There are a number of different avenues to use to report fraud, waste

and abuse," said Vanhovel. "The command prefers that they bring it to the local command's attention, either through their immediate chain of command or by calling the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Hotline at 577-6222."

If individuals aren't comfortable with starting with their immediate supervisor because that is the source of the problem or perceived problem, or have forgotten the hotline number, or are just not sure that they have a fraud, waste, and abuse to report but is an area of concern, call the base inspector directly.

Once an allegation of fraud, waste, and abuse is received, the process is normally completed within two weeks, according to Vanhovel. This process includes conducting interviews, researching the problem and

formulating a response with the command's planned actions.

However, by submitting an allegation to the DOD, Department of the Navy or the Marine Corps Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotlines, it delays the process by anywhere from one to three months, Vanhovel revealed. Eventually it comes back to the command for action.

Once the investigation is complete and before sending the results to the commanding officer, it is given to the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate for review.

"They'll send the results of the investigations to me and I will review them and give my legal opinion to the commanding officer or whether there

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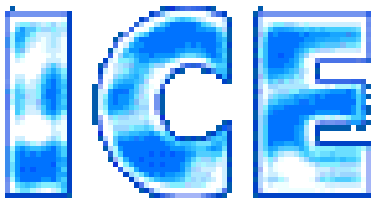
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Ice is the acronym for the Interactive Customer Evaluation Service. It is a web-based tool that collects feedback on services provided by various organizations throughout MCLB Barstow and allows customers to submit online comment cards

- to rate the service providers they have encountered on base.
- Allows managers to benchmark the performance of their service providers against other DOD organizations.
 - Encourages communication across organizations by comparing best practices to increase performance results.
 - Saves money
- The system can be accessed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and since it is a DOD-wide system, customers can even rate the services received from other installations.

ICE also provides information such as phone numbers, hours of operation, and allows individuals to check for special events that may be taking place at the service provider's location.

For more information about the Interactive Customer Evaluation service, contact Anthony Rose, ICE program analyst, at 577-6606, or on the MCLB Barstow Web site at <http://www.bam.usmc.mil> and click on the ICE icon.

Chaplain's Corner

Finding hope to live

By Lt. j.g. Tavis Long
Base Chaplain

Adoniram Judson was a bright, young man with a promising future. He learned to read at age three and by age 12 he had mastered the Greek language. He was accepted to Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. At 15-years-old, and he graduated as the valedictorian of his class in 1807.

While in college, he befriended another student named Jacob Eames. Eames soon convinced Adoniram to totally denounce Christ and his Christian upbringing.

Adoniram returned to Massachusetts after graduation and he helped start the Plymouth Independent Academy.

When he didn't find happiness teaching, he tried theatre in New York and was defeated in that.

Adoniram decided he would find his fortune by heading West. While traveling one evening, he decided to rest at a village inn. The only room available was next to a man dying of a severe illness.

Throughout the night he heard the sickening cries of a man in pain. It was evident that this man next door did not know God as his cries vehemently denied the Lord. Finally, Adoniram drifted off into a fitful sleep.

The next morning, Adoniram learned that the man had passed away during the night. Sympathetically, Adoniram asked the man's name and the innkeeper replied, "A Jacob Eames from the College of Providence."

Adoniram was stunned to learn he had

heard the cries of anguish from his old friend.

The death of his atheistic friend greatly touched him. He enrolled in Andover Theological Seminary in 1808. and by 1814, Adoniram was on the mission field in Burma.

Adoniram Judson went from being an avowed atheist to devout Christian. This change came when he realized that there was not hope without God. He had witnessed his friend die alone, in pain, and with no comfort. The Scriptures remind us in John 3:16 that, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

What a joy there is to know that there is a reason worth living, and death does not have to be feared. When a person experiences the love of God and accepts the sacrifice of His Son, there is a joy that is irreplaceable. Furthermore, there is no reason to fear death. Adoniram's friend faced death alone, in pain, and without hope. When Adoniram saw that, he realized that there had to be a hope somewhere. Let me encourage you to find that hope in Jesus Christ just like Adoniram did.



Chapel Services

Protestant
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Catholic Mass
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
505 E. Mt. View
Barstow
Sundays, 7:30 a.m. Misa En Espanol
9:30, 11:30 a.m. English

Jewish Services
Call 252-0148 for information on scheduled services.

Just doing my job ...



Photo by Rob Jackson

Ronnie Naron, heavy mobile equipment helper, Maintenance Center Barstow, dismantles a Cummins V903 engine belonging to an Assault Amphibious Vehicle. Naron has been employed at MCB for about three months and said he really enjoys the work.

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Leave Sharing Program

Anthony T. Edwards and Sondra J. Thomas, Fleet Support Division, and Luke Reynolds, Public Safety Department have been affected by medical emergencies.

Anyone desiring to donate leave under the Leave Sharing Program, may do so by obtaining a leave donor application form through their division's administrative officer.

For more information about Edwards and Thomas, contact Monique Brown, Fleet Support Division, at 577-7774.

For more information about Reynolds, contact Kelly Woodford at 577-6396 or Johnnie Curtis at 577-6734.

CWRA Trip

The Civilian Welfare Recreation Association is scheduled to take a trip to the J. Paul Getty Museum this Saturday.

It is an opportunity to see one of the world's largest collections of paintings, classical antiquities, bronze and marble sculptures, photography and more. The group will leave from the Main Gate Yermo Annex at 6:30 a.m. and return by 10:30 p.m.

The cost is \$5 and is non-refundable. It is open to everyone.

For more information, call Vince Chavez at 577-7580.



Myths and Facts

Myth: Unions have had no involvement in developing NSPS.

Fact: The proposed NSPS regulations are the product of a broad-based, collaborative effort across the Department that began in 2004. This included a number of meetings with employee representatives involving extensive and fruitful discussions on potential options for the design of the system.

In several areas, the proposed regulations reflect the interests and concerns that were voiced during those consultation

sessions. We also held numerous focus groups and town hall meetings, many of which included local union involvement, to gather input and feedback on the system design. Now that we have published our proposed regulations, the next step in this process is to gather comments and recommendations on the proposed regulations, and engage in more discussions and dialogue with employee representatives as called for in the law authorizing NSPS.

Insurance

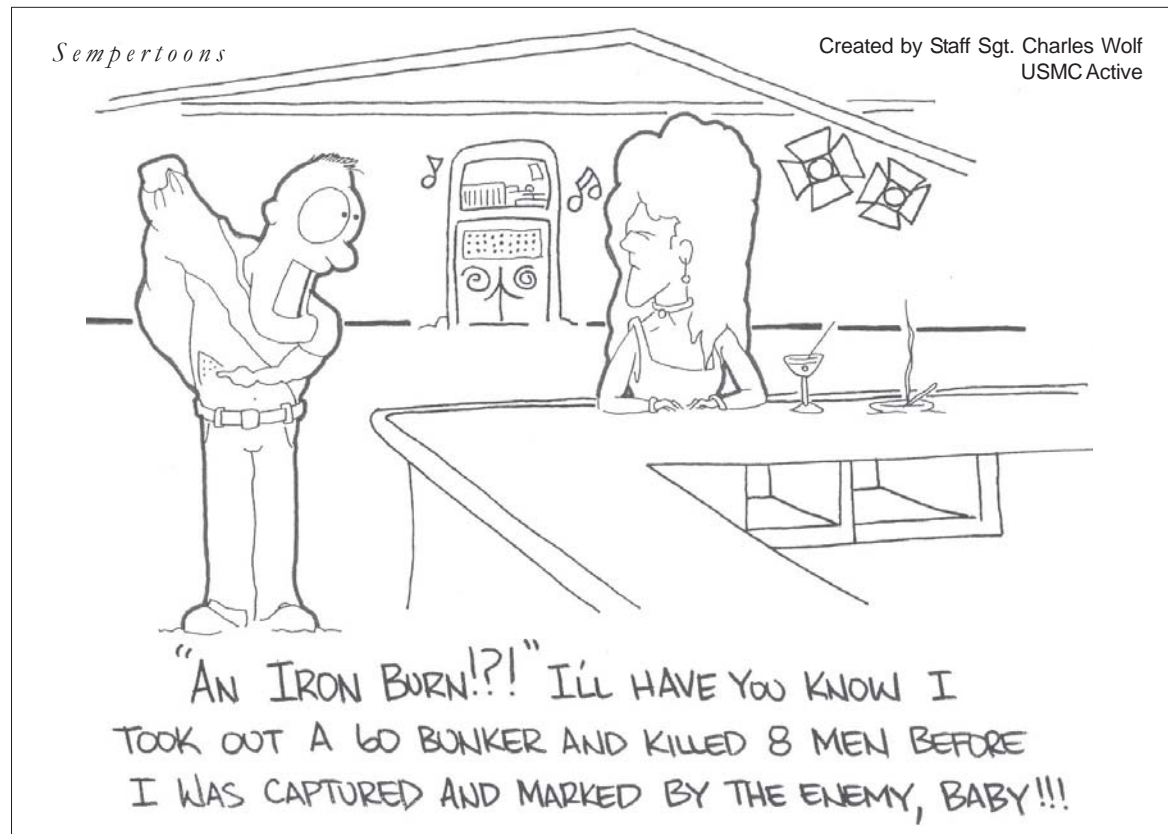
In accordance with California law and Base Order P5500.13, all personnel operating a motor vehicle are required to maintain automobile insurance. The insurance must be in the driver's name and must coincide with the vehicle. Access aboard MCLB Barstow will not be granted if the driver is not named in the insurance policy.

The operator, if not the owner of the vehicle, must be able to present authorization from the owner to operate the vehicle aboard MCLB. This rule applies to the request for a DOD decal, temporary pass, or visitor pass.

Physicals

The Branch Medical Clinic will be providing school and sports physicals August 1, 5, 8 and 12. All children entering kindergarten, or who are new to the state, are required to have a documented physical within 12 months of the start of the school year. Children participating in school sports will also be required to have a physical exam.

To accommodate this annual rush, parents are encouraged to make an appointment now for one of the dates mentioned. Parents must provide the child's immunization record and all school forms to be filled out.



Job Watch

<u>Ann No.</u>	<u>Title/Series/Grade</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>	<u>1st Cutoff</u>	<u>Location</u>
SW5-6907-05-PK249401-DE	Material handler	07-22-05	07-28-05	07-22-05	MCLB Barstow
WG-6907-05 Permanent					
SW5-0081-05-PK246265A-DE	Firefighter paramedic	07-22-05	07-29-05	07-25-05	MCLB Barstow
GS-0081-04, 05 Target GS-7, Permanent					
SW5-2854-05-CE240044-DE	Material Handler	07-20-05	08-01-05	07-22-05	MCLB Barstow
WG-2854-05 Term not to extend 2 years					
SW5-5704-05-CE247256-DE	Material Handler	07-18-05	08-01-05	07-20-05	MCLB Barstow
WG-5704-05 Term not to extend 2 years					
SW5-6907-07-CE245518-DE	Material Handler	07-22-05	08-01-05	07-25-05	MCLB Barstow
WG-6910-07 Term not to extend 2 years					

Applicants interested in the above positions should submit resumes online at the following Web sites: <http://www.donhr.navy.mil> or <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>.

For information regarding Open Continuous announcements point your browser to <http://www.donhr.navy.mil>. For more information concerning job announcements visit the Self-Service Center, Building 236, Mondays through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or call the Human Resources Office at 577-6357/6279/6481.

This is not an official list. Please see the Web sites listed for a complete list.

days. Acutely ill or patients with multiple medical concerns will be asked to schedule an appointment with their primary care provider.

To schedule your child's physical with the clinic, please call 577-6491 ext 103. Point of contact for this is Lt. Cmdr. George Cullen, NC, USN.

Recycle Update

Materials to be placed in recycle containers are: metal, broken-down cardboard, glass, plastics with the recycle sign on it and paper.

Prohibited items are: carbon paper, NCR paper, binders, and cross cut/confetti.

Materials that can be recycled after coordination with the recycling Program Manager are: pallets, concrete, asphalt, scrap metal, tires, diesel, and wood.

MCLB Barstow personnel at the unit or office level should segregate and process recyclable materials to the maximum extent possible and properly manage and dispose of non-recyclable wastes.

The Solid Waste and Re-

source Recovery/ Recycling Program Manager point of contact is Elizabeth Sena at 577-5811.

"News Briefs" is designed to disseminate information to the MCLB Barstow community.

Submissions should be received Thursdays before noon for consideration in next week's issue. Submit news briefs via e-mail to editor@barstow.usmc.mil.

Leadership course turns workers to leaders

Compiled By
Barstow Log Staff

Marines are often admired for their discipline, traditions and strict obedience. They also have a well-known reputation for their leadership ability. It is only natural that the civilians who work with Marines are expected to have these same abilities.

Through the Civilian Career and Leadership Development Program, civilians learn new leadership skills and hone the ones they currently possess.

The program, a six-week course sponsored by Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton’s Civilian Leader-

ship Development Council, is offered through San Diego State University and covers leadership principles long established as a Corps foundation, said Virginia Grizzle, a CLD administrator at Pendleton. The course, now in its third year, is administered one full day a week for six weeks.

Participants of the course learned the key elements needed to create high performing work units from their current work groups, project teams, and departments, Grizzle said. The course increased the students’ knowledge and skill through certain teaching techniques, which included active participation, projects and practicing.

Maria Foisey, program analyst,

was the first MCLB Barstow employee to attend the course, said Lisa Akers, program analyst and CCLD liaison.

“It doesn’t matter what position you are, it teaches you how to make changes,” said Foisey.

The class taught the students how to take their current work habits and method of finishing a job and measure how effective or ineffective they are, she said.

The students also learned useful skills like organizing, graphing and chart reading, which enabled them to make their work places better.

“What I learned in the class was that some changes at work are not effective, and I learned how to mea-

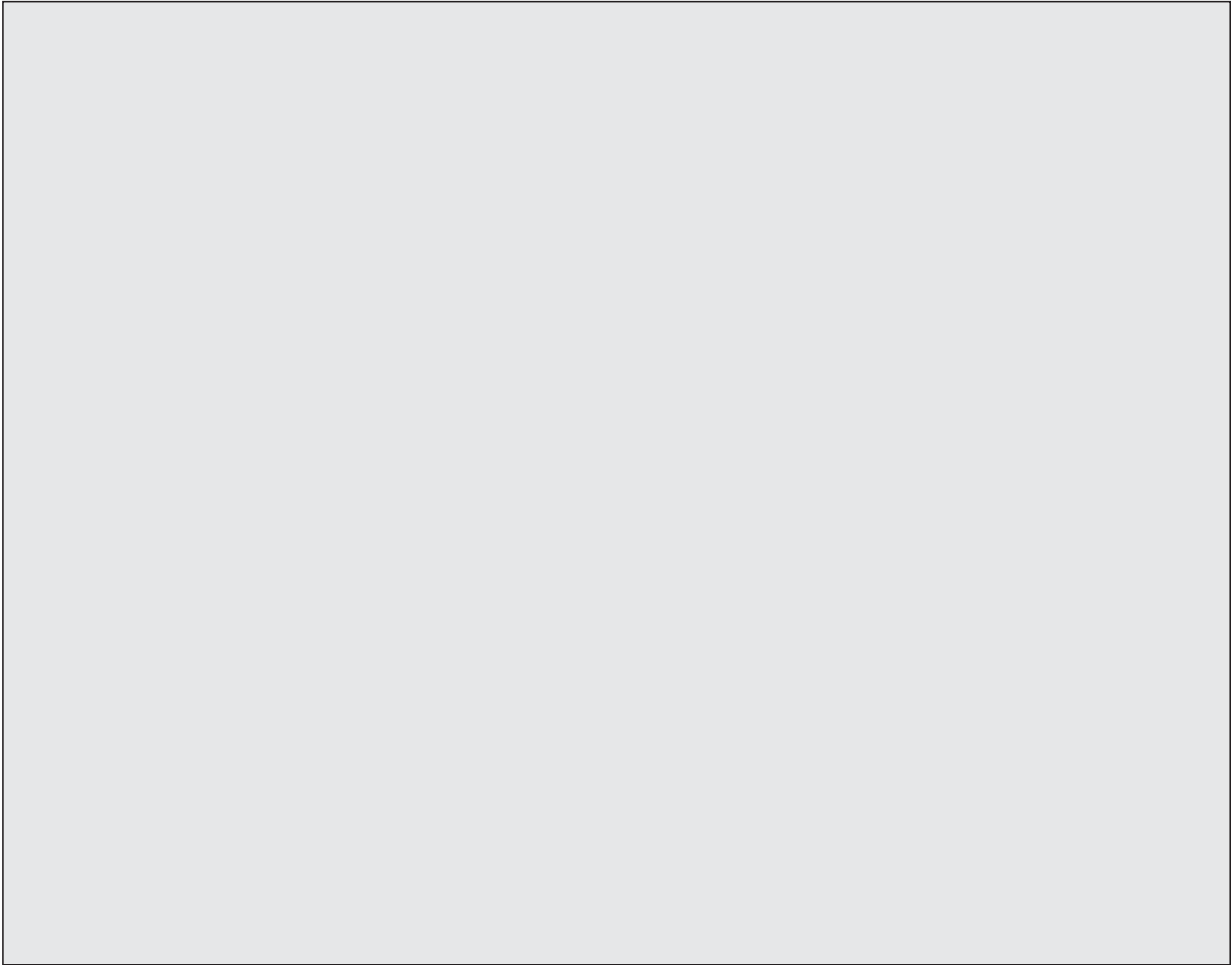
sure those changes,” Foisey said.

After graduating May 24, Foisey was looking forward to applying her new learned techniques, she said. When she returned to work, however, she was given a different job from the one she had prior to the class.

Even though the course is characterized as being a leadership development course, it is beneficial to all employees, from the worker to the queen bee, said Foisey.

“I would recommend this class to all civilian employees.”

For more information on the Civilian Career and Leadership Development Program, call Lisa Akers, CCLD liaison, at 577-6658.



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service members are committed to seeing through. "We believe in the capability, the genius and the patriotism and valor of our men and women serving in our institution today," he said. "This generation knows that we hold dear a set of beliefs and that those beliefs are worth fighting for," Clark said. "They also understand that this global insurgency seeks to destroy the political and moral will of the American people." America's enemies don't really understand the American people, and particularly, the members of its

armed services, he said. "They do not know the will, the courage and the character of our servicemen and women. (But) I believe that during the span of this generation, our enemies will come to understand very well the indomitable spirit of our sons and daughters." This generation "gets it" and is ready to follow their leaders and do what's needed to protect their country, Clark said. "They know that it's their turn ... to stand up for America," he said. "They are proud of what they are doing and they well know their place in history. They are the bearers."



Photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Daniel J. McLain

Newly retired Adm. Vern Clark and his wife Connie walk through honor side boys at the conclusion of his change of command ceremony.

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them and give my legal opinion to the commanding officer or whether there are grounds for disciplinary action, or if there are grounds for charges that might warrant action in federal court," said Capt. Aniela Szymanski, MCLB Barstow Staff Judge Advocate.

"It's important for (the command) to have a legal opinion so that they know when they take action that they won't have any backlash and they'll be on solid ground with whatever they do."

One of the most important things the base inspector wants folks to know is that there should absolutely be no reason anyone should be afraid to report a fraud, waste and abuse infraction.

"When I receive a complaint I don't identify (the individual) to anyone except Col. Thompson and Lt. Col. Strand," said Vanhovel.

"Short of that, I don't identify anything about the person making the report."

The person making the report should have no fear of retaliation from making the report as well.

"The only way that someone could be retaliated against is if that person tells the offending party, and even then if they feel like they're being retaliated against they do have recourse," Vanhovel offered.

Individuals who feel like they are being retaliated against for reporting a fraud, waste and abuse allegation can use a second or third step grievance. In that case the person and the individual who tried to retaliate, through disciplinary or other measures, would be reporting to the base executive officer explaining why the individual making the report suddenly warranted disciplinary action.

To avoid this kind of headache most people reporting fraud, waste and abuse prefer to remain anonymous and for the individual's own privacy that's fine, according to Vanhovel.

"It's come up more than once that I've been investigating something where there may have something there, but came to a roadblock because I needed one piece of information but had no way of getting in touch with the person that made the report," he said.

If individuals are concerned about potential retaliation, the base inspector

asks that individuals write a letter and give a home phone number and he will call them at home after hours.

"It's really a hindrance to the investigation when we receive an anonymous tip," he said.

Although individuals may not know all the particulars about a given situation if it is seen and perceived to be a fraud, waste and abuse violation, it should be reported.

"That's part of our responsibility as government employees; to be good custodians of the taxpayers' dollars," said Vanhovel.

"So if we see something we should report it. If it turns out to be unfounded then so be it. If it's founded, we've taken steps to fix the problem."

According to Vanhovel, it is a win-win situation either way because it lets people know that MCLB Barstow has an active program and people are watching to make sure the base and its employees are being good custodians of the taxpayers' valuable dollars.

If you are concerned about a potential violation, call the Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline at 577-6222 or use the MCLB Barstow ICE program to voice concerns. If in doubt, call the base inspector at 577-6373.

Out of retirement ...

Into the fight

By Sgt. Stephen D'Alessio
2nd Marine Division

CAMP BLUE DIAMOND, Iraq — Whoever said 'An old dog can't learn new tricks' never met Maj. James Charette, who deployed here with the 2nd Marine Division after coming out of retirement.

Charette, a Goshen, N.Y., native, and liaison officer for the Marine Corps Center for Lessons Learned, is the division's link to data concerning lessons in war fighting within the division. He mobilized for duty after nearly seven years away and found that the Corps is an ever-evolving institution.

At age 50, Charette doesn't let the '20 somethings' slow him down. Since he's been back, he's participated in the Corps' new Marine Corps Martial Arts Program and earned a tan belt.

It's brought back some youthfulness in him, but he's also found a few other changes that made him feel outdated.

"Now, the Marine Corps has a strong reliance on the Internet and emails to pass information," said Charette. "I guess it's just showing my age."

Charette works back home in the New York State courts system as a senior court clerk for Orange

County. There, he processes and reviews official paperwork and answers questions, without giving legal advice, for customers who come in to file divorce and other legal proceedings.

"I was sitting at home one day looking at Marine Online when I saw this small advertisement for retired Marines to volunteer for mobilization," said Charette. "So, I put my name in the hat."

Charette retired back in 1998 after devoting about 10 years of active duty and another 10 to the Reserve Forces. Almost a year later, on April 1, he received a phone call from a staff sergeant.

"I thought it was an April fool's joke or that the Marine Corps Association wanted to sell me something," said Charette. "But when I looked at my caller I.D. and I saw that it came from (Marine Corps Base) Quantico. I knew it was time."

Many of his friends and colleagues thought he was crazy for returning to the Corps after retirement, according to Charette, who dismissed them and went to his closet for his uniforms.

"You have to look at the practical reality of it," said Charette, matter-of-factly. "The Corps said they could use me, so it was tough to sit on the sidelines. It may

sound corny, but it comes down to who you are, not what you do."

The Corps had a billet for him to fill, but it wasn't exactly what he was looking for. They sent him to his first assignment at the F.B.I. laboratory, in the Terrorist Explosives Device Analytical Center. There, he examined the devices that Explosive Ordnance Disposal personnel recovered from Iraq.

It was a fitting job for a major with a background as a combat engineer, but he wanted to be where the action was.

"I didn't want to sit in Quantico for a year," said Charette. "I asked to go to a forward unit and 30 days later I ended up here."

Now, Charette is working for the Division's Commanding General, Maj. Gen. Richard A. Huck, who was a platoon commander as a captain in his basic school class. He finds it funny that he ended up working for one of the Marines that was his instructor back in 1977.

"The Corps has changed a little, but the Marines haven't," said Charette.

"Some of the fine points have changed, but the thought process is still the same — probably since WWII. But the bottom line is that I just like putting on my uniform again."



Photo by: Sgt. Stephen D'Alessio

Major James Charette, a Goshen, N.Y. native and liaison officer for the Marine Corps Center for Lessons Learned, is the link to data concerning lessons learned in war fighting within the 2nd Marine Division. He remobilized for duty after nearly seven years away and found that the Corps is an ever-evolving institution.

Legends of the Corps

Father of Marine Corps Aviation

By Cpl. Ashley Warden
Combat Correspondent

In 1908 at Fort Myer, Va., Orville Wright demonstrated the capabilities of his plane to government and Naval officers, which would peak Navy interest in the possibility of using airplanes as weapons. This interest would open doors to history in the making, as Marines and Sailors became the first aviators in their respective services.

Alfred Austell Cunningham was born March 8, 1882 in Atlanta. At the age of 27, he accepted a commission to second lieutenant in the Marine Corps in January 1909.

Two years later, Cunningham was stationed at the Marine Barracks in Philadelphia, where he first started experimenting with flight. His interest in airplanes didn't begin in Philadelphia though. It started eight years earlier, when he ascended in a balloon. Because of this experience, Cunningham rented "Noisy Nan," an airplane, for \$25 a month from a civilian aviator. Yet, "Noisy Nan" never became airborne despite his efforts.

Cunningham's love and faith in airplanes was rewarded, when on May 16, 1912, he was ordered to the aviation camp the Navy had established in Annapolis, Md., to learn to fly. The birthday of Marine Corps aviation is known as May 22, 1912, the day he reported to flight school.

The actual flight training was done at the Burgess Plant in Marblehead, Mass., because back then, only the builders of the planes could fly them.

After only two hours and forty minutes of instruction, Cunningham soloed on Aug. 20, 1912, making him the first Marine Corps pilot. For the next 15 months, Cunningham's assignments involved flying missions.

Only a year after graduating from

flight school, Cunningham requested detachment from flying duty because his fiancé did not share his enthusiasm with flying.

"My fiancé will not consent to marry me unless I give up flying," he said.

The request was approved and a few weeks later he became assistant quartermaster at the Navy Yard in Washington D.C. There, he was assigned additional duty in aviation where he helped draw a comprehensive plan for the organization of a naval aeronautical service.

Cunningham was once again assigned for aviation duty on April 27, 1915 in Pensacola, Fla. During his time there that an admiral recommended him to assist in the selection of aviation bases on the Pacific Coast.

As World War I fast approached, aviation exploded in the wartime stimulation, increasing Cunningham's duties. Now, he interviewed applicants for aviation duty, commanded the First Aviation Squadron of the Marine Corps and was ordered to Paris to collect information about French and British aviation activities.

With what he learned while in Europe, Cunningham secured the authority to organize and equip four squadrons, called the Northern Bombing Group.

The plan was approved, four Marine squadrons were authorized, each consisting of 18 landplanes.

Five months after approval, the squadrons were organized, trained and equipped and were on their way to the front lines of World War I on July 12, 1918 when 72 landplanes, 176 officers and 1030 enlisted men sailed on the USS de Kalb from New York, arriving in Brest, Belarus. There they participated in 43 raids, shot down 8 enemy aircraft, dropped 52,000 pounds of bombs and supplied 2,600 pounds



Alfred A. Cunningham

of food.

When Cunningham returned to the states, he became the officer in charge of Marine Corps aviation where he untiringly worked for the growth of aviation and traveled all over the country to survey proposed aviation sites and facilities.

In 1935, Cunningham's health began to fail, spending several months in the hospital. On May 10, 1935, he appeared before a Naval Retiring Board, which found him to be incapacitated for active service. Ten days

later he was ordered home to await retirement on August 1. On May 27, 1939 he died at Sarasota, Fla.

Cunningham's contribution, although immeasurable, has gained him recognition and his name is still echoed down the halls at Recruit Depots and is lodged in the minds of Marines today.

Editor's Note:

Information in this article came from a United States Marine Corps History and Museums Division article on A.A. Cunningham.



Swimming Lessons for Kids

Get your children enrolled in swim lessons before the summer is over. Be sure to sign up at the Family Pool no later than tomorrow.

The next session is August 1-12, which is comprised of ten 45-minute classes, held Monday through Friday. Swimming lessons are only \$20 per child. Family rates are available: two children for \$35, three children for \$55, four children for \$70 and five children for \$90.

Minimum and maximum participations will be determined after sign-up. Minimum class participation is five times and maximum class participation 10 times.

Sign up on Tuesdays or Fridays from 1 to 6:30 p.m. at the Family Pool. Payment must be made tomorrow. Lessons available are: Aqua baby 6-36 months, Tiny

Tots 3-5 years, Beginner, Beginner Advanced, Intermediate. For more information, call 577-6817/6971.

Golf Trials

Semper Fit seeks resumes for All-Marine Golf Trials that will be held September 11-17 at Parris Island, SC. Marines interested in competing must submit application IAW figure 3-4 of MCO P1700.29 by 1 Sep 05. Applications must include proof of current handicap.

Applications can be found at www.usmc-mccs.org/sports



Playmornings

Get out of the heat and join New Parents Support Program for Playmornings every Wednesday at 11 a.m. Parents and children that are 5 years and younger are invited to have fun with water play and outside crafts. Bring a picnic blanket, a towel and swimsuits for the kids. The New Parent Support Program provides juice, water and snacks. The last day Playmornings will meet at the library front lawn will be on August 24. Beginning August 31, Playmornings will meet at the YAC. Drops-Ins welcome to



check it out. After the first visit you must register and bring your child's up to date immunization record to continue attending. For more information, call 577-6332.

National Kids Day

August 5 is National Kids Day. Join the Child Development Center from 5 to 7 p.m., in their celebration of kids with a Family Luau. This special event is a time for food, family and fun! Kids can bring swimsuits for some water play. All base families are welcome. CDC is located in Building 372.

Call 577-6287 for more information.

MCCSHappenings

Today

- BBQ Your Own Ribs Night at the Oasis Club.
- Pasta Night at the Family Restaurant.

Friday

- Membership Appreciation Night at Oasis Club
- TGIFamily Night at the Oasis and Enlisted Club

Saturday

- Brunch at the Enlisted Club
- Enlisted Club Social

Sunday

- Breakfast at the Enlisted Club
- Enlisted Club Social

Monday

- Darts, pool and CD Music at the Enlisted Club
- Membership Appreciation Night at the Oasis Club

Tuesday

- Burn Your Own Steak Night at the Oasis Club

Wednesday

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2004 YAMAHA: TTR 225 with a Big Gun race series exhaust, \$3000, approx.10 hours use. Contact SSgt Woods cell 909 921-1789.

MISCELLANEOUS: Dining room set, four chairs and table, \$200 OBO. Call 895-7370.

CLEANERS NEEDED: The MCLB Housing office is seeking self-employed cleaners with a Pay-and-Go Cleaning Program, to clean vacant military quarters. Cleaners must supply cleaning products and equipment. If interested call the MCLB Housing office at (760) 577-6873 or 577-6706.

